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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Aya JAKOBOVITS, et al.

Serial No.:

10/001,469

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31 October 2001

For: NUCLEIC ACID AND CORRESPONDING PROTEIN ENTITLED 101P3A11 USEFUL IN TREATMENT AND DETECTION OF

**CANCER** 

Examiner: Davis, Minh-Tam B.

Group Art Unit: 1642

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated 17 December 2002 for which a response was due on 17 January 2003. Enclosed herewith is a request for an extension of time for one month, until 17 February 2003, along with the required fee. Accordingly, as February 17, 2003 falls on a holiday for the USPTO, this response is considered timely filed on February 18, 2003.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 48 and 50 (as amended), with traverse, drawn to a method to identify an agent that decreases 101P3A11 protein expression status.